OLD ENGLAND.

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To the AUTHOR, *&c.*

The Tranquillity of the Province of HOLLAND *has of late been very much diſturbed by Mobs and tumultuous Aſſemblies among the People, on Account of the Poſts and Offices in their reſpective Cities; many of which are very lucrative, and have, as People ſay, been of late beſtowed by the Magiſtrates on their Relations and favourite Servants, without any Regard to their Capacity.*

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SIR,

YOUR laſt Paper having furniſhed me a Precedent, I have prefixed an Article of News as an Introduction to what follows.

In all Countries where the People have the Happineſs to enjoy any *ſocial Liberty*, there is nothing more neceſſary for the Security and Preſervation of that Happineſs, than a *due Diſpoſal* of all Public Offices and Employments; for when the Governors or Magiſtrates ſhew no Regard to Merit, Service, or Capacity; when they beſtow all the Offices and Places in their Gift upon their own Relations, menial Servants, Pimps, or Buffoons, the Public Service will of Courſe ſuffer by the Incapacity, Negligence, or Avarice, of thoſe employed; and the leaſt Public Misfortune will drive the People to Deſpair, and make them reſolve to chuſe for themſelves an *abſolute Sovereign*.

We may find many Examples in Hiſtory for confirming the Truth of this Maxim, and the late Revolution in the Government of the *United Provinces* is a new one, which well deſerves the Attention of every Man, who has any Share in the Government of *Great Britain*. The *Stadtholder* of the *United Provinces* is not, I know, by their Conſtitution, an *abſolute Sovereign*, and the natural Juſtice and Mildneſs of the preſent *Prince of Orange* is ſuch, that from him they have nothing to fear; but they have already veſted him with ſuch Prerogatives as may enable ſome one of his Succeſſors to render their ſupreme Aſſembly, called the *States General*, as ſubmiſſive as ever the *Senate of Rome* was to the arbitrary Will of their tyrannical *Emperors*; which a People, ſo jealous of their Liberties as the *Dutch* are, would never have done, if they had not been drove to it by the ſelfiſh Conduct of the late Governors of their Republic in the Diſpoſal of Offices, and the Danger they were expoſed to by the *French* Invaſion.

This ſelfiſh Diſpoſal of all Offices and Employments in the Public Service, we are in a great Meaſure guarded againſt by our Conſtitution; becauſe the King has the ſole and abſolute Diſpoſal of all Offices and Employments in our Army and Navy, and of moſt of thoſe in our Civil Government. Our great Officers of State in their ſeveral Departments are, 'tis true, allowed to recommend, and it is fit it ſhould be ſo, but the King may chuſe whether he will take their Recommendation, and he ought to refuſe it, when he finds it to be in Favour of ſome Relation, menial Servant, Pimp, or Buffoon, without any Regard to the Merit, Capacity, or Public Services of the Perſon ſo recommended.

This is the Security which we enjoy by Means of our Conſtitution, but this Security we may be deprived of by thoſe who in all other Reſpects are appointed as *the Guardians of our Liberties*: I mean the Members of our two Houſes of Parliament. As in all the great Affairs of Government, the King muſt have the Concurrence of our Two Houſes of Parliament, it is abſolutely neceſſary for him to gain and preſerve the Friendſhip and Affection of a Majority in each; but if the Members of both Houſes ſhould become *ſo ſelfiſh* and *ſo regardleſs of the Public Good*, that the King can hold their Friendſhip and Affection by no other Tenure than that of ſacrificing the Public Service to the Ambition and Avarice of them, their Relations, menial Servants, Pimps and Buffoons, he muſt give up, or make very little Uſe of that Prerogative, which is our Security againſt a *ſelfiſh* and *mal-Diſpoſal* of all public Offices and Employments.

If ever this ſhould unfortunately happen to be our Caſe, no Merit, no Public Service, no Degree of Capacity, would be of Effect for recommending a Man to any Commiſſion or Preferment in our Navy or Army, or to any Place or Office in our Civil Government: Nothing could be of any Effect for this Purpoſe, but his being a Member, or the Relation, favourite Servant, Pimp or Buffoon, of one who is a Member of one or other of our Two Houſes of Parliament; and the certain Conſequence of this would be an univerſal Neglect and Sacrifice of the Public Service: No Man would be at the Pains to qualify himſelf properly for ſerving his Country in any Capacity, nor would any Man heartily and diligently exert his Talents in that Service: Our Fleets and our Armies would be commanded by cowardly or ignorant Officers; and all the Poſts in our Civil Government would be filled either with ſuch as had no Capacity, or ſuch as made no other Uſe of their Capacity than to cheat and defraud the Public.

This, I ſay, would be the Conſequence, and this Conſequence could not be prevented either by the beſt of Kings or the wiſeſt of Miniſters; for if the King ſhould begin to exert his Prerogative in the Diſpoſal of Public Offices and Employments, by ſhewing no Regard to any Suit or Recommendation, unleſs founded upon the Merit or Capacity of the Candidate or Perſon recommended, he would of Courſe forfeit the Friendſhip and Affection of ſuch Members of Parliament, and could not then expect their Concurrence, let his Meaſures be ever ſo wiſe, or ever ſo neceſſary for the Public Good. And if any Miniſter ſhould be bold enough to give ſuch an Advice to his Maſter, the Conſequence would be, a Combination of a great Number of the Members of the Two Houſes againſt him, who would probably have the Aſſurance to tell their Sovereign, *You* SHALL *diſmiſs ſuch a Miniſter from your Service.*

Suppoſe then a good, a wiſe, and a juſt King upon the Throne; ſuppoſe ſuch a ſelfiſh Parliament in Being; and ſuppoſe our Nobility and Gentry ſo corrupt and ſelfiſh, that the King could not expect to mend himſelf by a Diſſolution; ſhould not we have great Reaſon to dread the Conſequence? If in ſuch Circumſtances any public Misfortune ſhould happen, or if the Nation ſhould find itſelf expoſed to ſome imminent foreign Danger by the Cowardice, Imprudence, Incapacity, or Miſconduct, of thoſe who had *thus forced themſelves and their Friends* into the Public Service, we ſhould, in my Opinion, have great Reaſon to fear ſuch a Revolution as has lately happened in *Holland*. The Mob have there aboliſhed their Republican Form of Government, and ſet up a limited Monarchy, for ſuch I muſt call the new Form they have eſtabliſhed; and the Mob here would, I am afraid, aboliſh our *limited*, and eſtabliſh an *abſolute* Monarchy, in order to be revenged on thoſe of our Nobility and Gentry who had ſhewn a greater Regard to their Relations, favourite Servants, Pimps and Buffoons, than they ever did to the Service of their Country.

Thank God! we have at preſent no ſuch Danger to apprehend; for thoſe who at preſent have the Honour to be Members of either Houſe of Parliament, have ſo true a Regard to the Public Good, that no Favour can tempt them to approve of any bad Meaſure in Parliament, nor can any Refuſal from a Miniſter, no-nor any Injury or Indignity put upon them by a Miniſter, tempt them to oppoſe thoſe Meaſures that tend to promote the Happineſs or ſecure the Tranquillity of their Country; and as to their Recommendations to Offices or Employments, they have never ſhewn a Regard to any thing but the Merit and Capacity of the Perſons they recommend. If they have any Pimps, Buffoons, or favourite Servants, they take Care to reward them, as they ought to do, out of their own private Fortunes only; for none ſuch are to be met with in our Fleets or Armies, or in any Office belonging to our Civil Government; and as to their Relations, we can find none of them in any Truſt which they are not fully qualified for executing, and which have not well merited by their former Services to their Country.

Theſe Remarks, therefore, I have made, not with any View of correcting what is paſſed, but with the View of giving a Caution to our *Miniſters* and *Members of Parliament*, not to fall into the ſame Error with the late Governors of the *Dutch* Republic, leſt it ſhould be attended with an Effect more pernicious and equally ſurpriſing.

I am, SIR, *&c.*

LONDON.

SITTINGS appointed in London and Middleſex, before Rt. Hon. Sir WM. LEE, Knt. Ld. Ch. J. of King's-Bench.

Middleſex.		London.	
Monday	June 13	Thurſday	June 16
Tueſday	21	Wedneſday	22
Monday	27	Tueſday	28
After Term.		After Term.	
Thurſday	June 30	Friday	July 1

SITTINGS appointed in London and Middleſex, before Rt. Hon. Sir JN. WILLES, Knt. Ld. Ch. J. of Common-Pleas at Weſtminſter, in and after Trinity Term, 1748.

Middleſex.		London.	
Monday	June 13	Thurſday	June 16
Wedneſday	15	Monday	20
Saturday	18	Thurſday	23
Wedneſday	22		
After Term.		After Term.	
Thurſday	June 30	Friday	July 1

The Right Hon. the Earl of Scarborough, is arrived in Town from the Bath, where his Lordſhip has been ſometime for the Recovery of his Health.

On Thurſday their Graces the Duke and Ducheſs of Dorſet, ſet out from their Houſe at Whitehall, for their Seat at Knowles near Sevenoaks, in Kent.

Same Day the Rt. Hon. Earl of Shaftſbury ſet out from his Houſe in Groſvenor-ſquare for his Seat in Dorſetſhire.

His Majeſty arrived at Hanover the 4th of June, N. S. and received the ſame Day a Courier with ſome important Diſpatches from Aix la Chapelle.

We are aſſured that the King of Pruſſia has made known his Deſire of having an Interview with his Majeſty before his Return to England, which will be about the Middle of September next.

The Affair relating to the Complaints made by the King of Pruſſia's Miniſter here, on the ſeizing and detaining the Ships of his Maſter's Subjects in our Ports, has been determined by the High Court of Admiralty, entirely to the Satisfaction of his Pruſſian Majeſty.

'Tis ſaid that a Treaty of Commerce and Navigation will ſoon be concluded between this Nation and the Ports of the King of Pruſſia; and that every thing ſeems tending to bring about a perfect Union and Harmony between the two Courts.

We hear that Edward Wortley Montague, jun. Eſq; Knight of the Shire for the County of Huntingdon, is appointed Secretary to the Right Hon. the Earl of Sandwich at the Congreſs at Aix la Chapelle.

Monday being the Birth Day of the Princeſs Amelia, who then entered into the 38th Year of her Age, and of the Princeſs Caroline, who then entered the 36th of her Age, their Royal Highneſſes receiv'd the Compliments of the Nobility, Gentry, &c. on that Occaſion.

Sir Henry Calthorpe, Knight of the Bath, lies very dangerouſly ill, at his Houſe in Soho-Square.

David Scott, Eſq; is choſen Member of Parliament for the Burghs of Aberdeen, Montroſe, &c. in the room of the Honourable John Maule, Eſq; now one of Barons of the Exchequer in Scotland.

It is ſaid, that as ſoon as the Gate at St. James's is rebuilt, the Horſe Guards will do Duty there, the ſame as at Whitehall. And,

That the Stabling, &c. at the Horſe Guards, will be pulled down, and built in a magnificent Manner.

His Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland ſent lately a Trumpet to Bruſſels with two very fine Saddle Horſes, as a Preſent to his Excellency the Marſhal de Saxe, who received them with the utmoſt Satisfaction, and teſtified all the Marks of Reſpect and Eſteem imginable for the Perſon of his Royal Highneſs.

On the 22d of May died, after a few Days Illneſs, at his Seat at Heitsbury in Wiltſhire, Edward Aſhe, Eſq; a Gentleman of good Repute. He had the Honour to ſerve his Country as Member of Parliament Fifty-two Years ſucceſſively, and a Commiſſioner for Trade and Plantation above twenty; but being incapacitated by his Infirmities from attending to the Duties of thoſe two Characters, he retired a Year ago.

We learn from Bath, that laſt Week died there, after a long Illneſs, Alexander Crouden, Eſq; a Gentleman of great Honour, and ſtrict Integrity. He was Captain of the Invalids on board the Centurion in the Voyage round the World, commanded by Commodore Anſon. And we hear that he has by his Will bequeath'd all his Fortune to his only Daughter, Mrs. Watherſton, Wife to Captain Watherſton, in the Foot-Guards, and to their Children.

Tueſday in the Afternoon Mr. Gray, a Salter in Deptford, dropp'd down dead in a Fit of Apoplexy, as he was at Dinner with his Daughter. It is remarkable, that a few Minutes before his Eye-Sight was taken from him, which continued above a Minute, but recovered before the Fit ſeiz'd him. His Fortune, which is conſiderable, he has left to his only Daughter.

Some Months ago Mr. Hitham, a Needlemaker in Barnaby ſtreet, was bit by a Mad Dog, for which he was Bath'd in the Salt Waters, and uſed other Remedies for a Cure, but Monday 7-Night he was ſeized with a violent Pain in his Head, attended with a Dribling at the Noſe and Mouth, which increaſed daily, and on Friday following he died in the greateſt Agonies.

On Sunday Night Mr. Lucas, on his Return from Vauxhall, was robbed in St George's Fields, by a Fellow dreſs'd in a Sailor's Habit, of Six Shillings and ſome Half pence; the Fellow was the ſame Night ſecured in attempting to commit another Robbery near that Place.

A few Days ago as the Son of Mr. Richard Launce, of Blandford in Dorſetſhire was leading a Horſe to Field he tied the Bridle to his Arm, and the Creature taking Fright dragg'd him a conſiderable Way, daſhed his Brains out, and tore his Arm off, in which diſmal Condition he was found by his Friends.

Laſt Thurſday 7-Night a melancholy Accident happened at Cambridge to a young Gentleman of that Univerſity, who, with four more more, coming from Bucks Tavern, and paſſing by Ax Poole, unfortunately fell in and was drowned, and the others endeavouring to ſave him, narrowly eſcaped the ſame Fate. It's remarkable the ſame Gentleman narrowly eſcaped that dangerous Place three Times within this Month.

There is Advice that Capt. Laurence Archer, Commander of the Old Sarum, being delirious, in his Paſſage from the Weſt Indies, ſtabbed himſelf in ſeveral Places, with a Sword, of which wounds he died.

On Saturday laſt came on in the Court of King's Bench in Weſtminſter-Hall, a Cauſe between Luke Robinſon, Eſq; Plaintiff, and the Returning Officer for the Borough of Haydon, Defendant; when after a long Hearing the Jury gave a Verdict for the Plaintiff.

By the late Inſolvent Act there is a Clauſe, that if any Jailor ſhall deliver a wrong Liſt upon Oath, of any Priſoners Names, and ſhall be convicted of the ſame, he ſhall forfeit 500 l. one Moiety to the Informer, and the other to the Priſoner's Creditors.

Laſt Saturday the Seſſions ended at the Old Baily, when the Three following Perſons received Sentence of Death, viz.

George Cock, for ſtealing a Watch, Value 3 l. the Property of George Stead.

Benjamin Thomas for ſtealing 212 Guineas and a Half, and a Silver Watch in the Dwelling-Houſe of Samuel Turnell, Eſq; And

James Watling, alias Tom Titt, a Smuggler.

The Jury recommended Watling to the Court for Mercy.

Samuel Cuſtins, a Smuggler, commonly called Slip Gibbet, was brought to the Bar, but no Evidence being produced againſt him, he was acquitted, but is ordered to remain being charged with a Debt of about 1400 l. due to the Crown.

William Jeffries, Robert Cunningham, Robert Salmon, William Denny Fox, John Diemar, otherwiſe Sheppard, are ordered to remain. The four firſt are indicted and are to be tried the next Seſſions, which begins at the Old Baily on Wedneſday the 6th of July.

Daniel Blake was tried for wilful and corrupt Perjury, in making an Affidavit in the Wood Street Compter Office, before Anthony Hooper, Gent. one of the Clerks Sitters of that Compter, that his Name was Edmund Elger, and that one Joſhua Travers was in Debt in the Sum of 40 l. and 6 d. for Victuals, Drink and Lodging; and it appearing to the Court and Jury that Mr. Travers never had any Dealing or Concern with Blake, either by the Name of Blake or Elger, the Priſoner was found Guilty, and ſentenced to ſtand in the Pillory at the End of Wood ſtreet, Cheapſide, and then to be tranſported for ſeven Years.

William Care otherwiſe Gingles, one of the Smugglers, died lately in Newgate.

Elizabeth Nichols, who was committed the 19th of laſt Month by Juſtice Frazier, on Suſpicion of ſtealing a Capuchin out of the Shop of Sarah Cooke, was brought to the Bar; but the Proſecutor not appearing ſhe was diſcharged. She was tried in the Mayoralty of Sir Robert Wettley for Subornation of Perjury; but there being a Defect in the Indictment, ſhe was acquitted.

John Kearney, for ſtealiug ſome Copper-Plates belonging to Mr. Meadows, Bookſeller, from the Ruins of the late Fire in Cornhill, is ordered to be whipt from the Manſion Houſe to the end of Cornhill and back again.

We hear that Gray the Smuggler, ordered for Tranſportation, is worth 10,000 l. that he built a Houſe at Hawkhurſt, not long ſince, worth 2000 l. and that he has made ſuch Diſcoveries in regard to the reſt of his Brethren, that the Government will ſoon be able to put an End to that pernicious Practice in thoſe Parts.

Letters from Lisbon of the 26th of April adviſe, that the Portugal Man of War the N. S. de Nazareth, which ſailed from thence the 20th of January, had returned to that Port the Day before. The Crew had received ſtrict Orders not to mention where they had been, nor what they had on Board on board; but it was not however been diſcovered, that they had been to the Iſland of Teneriffe, to fetch home 1,500,000 Pieces of Eight for the King of Spain and his Subjects, being the Remainder of the Treaſure landed there by the Hector.

Letters from Lisbon of the 26th of April bring an Account, that the Dutch Vice-Admiral Schryver arrived there on the 10th with only his own Ship, having left his Squadron to the Command of Admiral Warren, who was cruizing off Cape Finiſterre, to watch the Martinico Fleet; the Princeſs Louiſa, Edinburgh, Eagle, and Windſor, failed on the 19th to join Sir Peter Warren. Admiral Hawke had been at Lisbon ſince the 15th.

Tueſday Advice arrived in Town, that Sir Peter Warren and Sir Edward Hawke, with eighteen Men of War under their Command, were well on Wedneſday laſt, in the Latitude of Uſhant, and had met with nothing ſince they went out, except ſome Dutch Ships, and the Newfoundland outward-bound Fleet, under Convoy of the Panther Man of War.

The Charming Molly, Steward, from Piſcataway, to the Leeward Iſlands, is taken and carried into Guardaloupe.

The Endeavour, Ballaine; and the Benjamin, Bottelair, both from Jerzey to Newfoundland, are taken and ranſomed.

Wedneſday in the Afternoon, Mr. Elmes, a Shoemaker in Whitechapel, was drowned as he was bathing himſelf in Hackney River. His Body was ſoon taken up, and carried home to a Diſconſolate Widow and ſix Children.

Letters from Warſaw of the 18th mention, that a Fire had broken out in that City the Week before, which had entirely conſumed the Convent and Church of the Trinitarian Fathers, together with ſeventeen Houſes adjoining. Some Letters take Notice, that the Ruſſians paid a hundred Crowns for the Paſſage of each Regiment over the Bridges which the Country People had laid for them acroſs the Viſtula.

Letters from Antwerp, dated the 6th Inſtant, N. S. ſay, that from the Preparations made by the French, it looks as if they were about to evacuate Bruſſels, and the reſt of Brabant, as well as Bergen-op-zoom; and that it was whiſpered the Congreſs would be opened at Bruſſels by the latter End of July or the Beginning of Auguſt. Theſe Letters alſo ſay, that the French Guards have Orders to return to Paris; and that, on the other Hand, the Hanoverian Forces are to return Home with a View to form a Camp in that Electorate.

IRELAND.

Dublin, May 15. Laſt Week died Anthony Martin, of Dangon in the County of Galway, Eſq; by whoſe Death his eldeſt Son Richard Martin, Eſq; gets an Eſtate of above 2000 l. a Year.

The Incorporated Society, &c. have received a Report from Local Committee of the Charter-School of Charleyille in the County of Cork, dated the 18th Inſt. ſetting forth, That the ſaid School was opened with Solemnity on the 6th of April laſt, and the next Sunday, the Children to the Number of 20, appeared at Church, where the Rev. Dean Bruce preached a Sermon ſuitable to the Occaſion, and gave for the Uſe of the School thirty Bibles, Common Prayer Books, and Indian Inſtructions, with an annual Subſcription of Two Guineas. The Reverend Mr. Saul Bruce, Curate, One Guinea per Annum, and we hope others will follow ſo good Examples. The Riſe of this School is owing to the Right Hon. the Earl of Orrery. The Children ſeem to rejoice at their happy Situation.——They are employed in Work and Labour ſuitable to their Years, and daily inſtructed in the Principles of the Chriſtian Religion, Reading, and the Publick Worſhip of God.

On Sunday Evening laſt a great Mob gathered about a Houſe in Butter lane, where one Mr. Sinnock a Methodiſt Preacher, and his Followers, were aſſembled, and broke the Windows, and greatly abuſed the Preacher and his Followers, and it is thought would have pulled down the Houſe, but a Party of Soldiers coming, prevented any further Miſchief and diſperſed the Mob.

PLANTATION NEWS.

BOSTON, March 14

Extract of a Letter from Sylvanus Carr, Commander of the John and William, who ſailed from this Port the 1ſt of December laſt.

St. Chriſtopher's, Jan. 22, 1747-8.

"The 28th of Dec. in Lat. 17 5 about 13 Leagues to Windward of Antigua, about half an Hour after Twelve, Capt. Citrel, in a French Privateer Sloop, engaged us with long Shot, and held it till Two o'Clock, then boarded us with 60 odd Hands, he having before received three Shot between Wind and Water; as the Sloop ſwung along ſide, we ſent three round, and two double-headed Shot into her.——She had 8 Carriage and 14 Swivel Guns, and 120 Men. As as ſoon as ſhe received the croſs and round Shot, ſhe immediately ſheered off, leaving the 60 odd Men aboard of us, with their Muskets, &c. We then took to our Cloſe-Quarters, and had Work enough till between Eight and Nine at Night, when they called for Quarters; whereupon we ordered them to hand in their Arms with their Muzzles to themſelves; and as ſoon as we had them all delivered, as Mr. Brown handed them in, I had them all bound faſt, being 29 of the Enemy, and 21 fine Negro Slaves.——Our Fight would not have been ſo long had the 2d Mate done his Duty in the Forecaſtle, who had four Men with him that never fired a Gun the whole Time of the Engagement, nor blew off his Powder Cheſts. Mr. John Brown, Chief Mate, and Elnathan Eayres, the Carpenter, particularly, and in general all abaft, behaved very well, and fought like Men.——When we went on the Deck we found 7 of the Enemy dead, and many much wounded.——The The Ship was much damaged, her Deck and Rigging cut to Pieces, and about 200 Shot Holes in our Sails.—We arrived at Antigua the 30th of December.——Mr. Dunbar has claimed the Negroes for the King, valued at 1200 l. Antigua Currency, by reaſon of my not having a Commiſſion."

"P. S. The Frenchmen upon Oath, before the Judge of the Admiralty at Antigua, declared, that they had upwards of 30 of their Men killed and mortally wounded.—We had not one Man hurt."

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

GERMANY.

Cologn, May 20. *O. S.* We have the following Account Dateleſs in ſeveral Private Letters from Italy.—The Duke de Richlieu, who appeared to have no other Deſign than to fortify his own Poſts, in order to ſecure them againſt Attempts that the Auſtrians might make, formed without giving them the leaſt Umbrage, the Deſign of Surprizing their Poſt of Campo Freddo, in which they had a ſtout a Body of ſeventeen hundred Men. In order to carry this Project of his into Execution, he cauſed four thouſand Men to defile in ſeperate Bodies, as if they had been intended to reinforce ſeveral Poſts, and theſe according to the Inſtructions they had received, arrived about Ten in the Evening, at the Diſtance of three Leagues from Campo Freddo. Theſe Troops notwithſtanding they had had a very long and fatiguing March, were allowed only two Hours Repoſe, during which Space they were informed by a Spy, that the Enemy were not in the leaſt upon their Guard. The Duke inſtantly gave orders for his Forces to march, which they did a Quarter before twelve, after dividing into two Bodies, one acting under his own Orders, and the other thoſe of Monſieur de Beaujoie, Marſhal de Camp. After having diſpoſed every thing in this Manner they arrived at Campo Freddo, at the Time of the Auſtrians beating the Morning Drum. They began their Flight as ſoon as the Duke de Richlieu began the Attack on his Side, ſo that M. de Beaujoie had nothing to do but to endeavour to cut off their Retreat; but as they left their Arms behind them, in order to make the more Haſte, the greateſt Part were too quick for them. About ſix hundred Men were left in the Poſt, of whom two hundred and nineteen were killed, and the reſt made Priſoners. M. de Colbizori, Captain of Grenadiers, and three Lieutanants are among the Number of the firſt, a Lieutenant-Colonel, four Captains, and a Lieutenant of Waraſdins among the latter. The French had a hundred and thirty-two Men kill'd and wounded. They have taken from the Auſtrians a Standard, moſt of their Arms, and all their Magazines, and amongſt the reſt one of Hay which was very conſiderable, and which was deſigned for the Uſe of a great Body of Horſe, that were expected from Campo Freddo.

Aix la Chapelle, May 23. O. S. The Marquis Doria, Plenipotentiary from the State of Genoa has received Letters this Day with advice, that that Republic would accede to the Preliminaries of Peace provided only that the Suſpenſion of Arms extended to Italy, and that the Imperial and Piedmonteſe ſhould immediately evacuate the Territories of the Republic. The Marquis de Soto Major, Plenipotentiary for Spain, will not ſign the Preliminaries 'till after the Return of the Count de St. Serain from Paris.

POLAND.

Dantzick, May 14. *O. S.* The whole City is at this Juncture in the utmoſt Confuſion, on Account of an Accident, which it is foreſeen will create us a great deal of Trouble. The Col. de la Salle, has found Means to Eſcape this Morning out of our Fortreſs of Weixelmunde, but how, and in what Manner, no Mortal can pretend to ſay. The Magiſtrates aſſembl'd as ſoon as it was known, and directed the moſt diligent Enquiries to be made, as to the Route this Gentleman may have taken, but to no Manner of Purpoſe, ſo that all they could do, was to Diſpatch a Courier to his Majeſty, with Advice of what has happened, in order to receive his Command.

ITALY.

Parma, May 12. *O. S.* Though Count Brown by an Expreſs from Turin has received the News of Preliminaries of Peace being ſigned at Aix la Chapelle between the Miniſters of France and the two Maritime Powers, yet it has been reſolved by that General and Count Harrach, Governor General of the Milaneſe, to execute the Plan of Operations projected againſt Genoa. The Troops deſtined for that Expedition are to enter To-morrow, or next Day, at ſeveral Places into the Territory of that Rupublic; and we have juſt learned, that the Count de Maguire had already diſlodged a Body of Genoeſe Troops which were poſted upon the Mountain of St. Croix.

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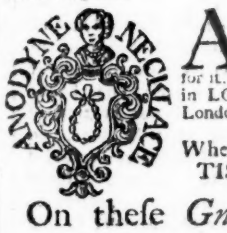

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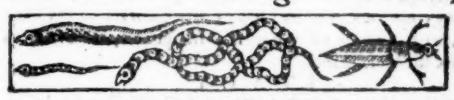

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